

V I R G I N I A:

Application of Edwards & Harding Petroleum Company
for Exception to Statewide Spacing on
Well Number EH-53 in the
Willis Magisterial District of
Dickenson County, Virginia

THIS CAUSE came on this 24th day of September, 1991, upon application of Edwards & Harding Petroleum Company requesting a variance from statewide spacing requirements in Section 45.1-361.17 of the Code of Virginia for Well Number EH-53, VGOB #91-0924-147, located in the Willis Magisterial District of Dickenson County, Virginia. Edwards & Harding Petroleum Company requests this Board's consent to drill Well Number EH-53 closer than 2,640 feet to Edwards & Harding Petroleum Company's Well Number EH-54. Edwards and Harding Petroleum Company was represented by Sanford T. Mullins, Esquire, Street, Street, Street, Scott & Bowman, P. O. Box 2100, Grundy, VA 24614.

The Board, having hearing the testimony and reviewed the exhibits of Edwards & Harding Petroleum Company finds as follows:

1. Edwards & Harding Petroleum Company has permitted Well EH-53 in the Willis Magisterial District of Dickenson County. This well is permitted to drill to the Ravencliff, Maxon, Big Lime, Weir, Berea and Devonian Shale formation at a depth of 4,090 feet, respectively.

2. Edwards & Harding Petroleum Company proposes to drill Well EH-53 at a location within 2,289.56 feet of the previously permitted EH-54. Edwards & Harding Petroleum Company has

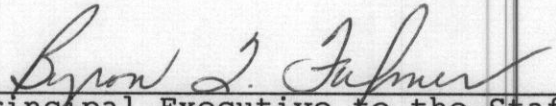
demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Board that due to topographical and geologic considerations, the proposed well location represents an appropriate drill site.

Accordingly, it is the Order of this Board that Edwards & Harding Petroleum Company be permitted to drill Well EH-53 within 2,289.56 feet of Well EH-54.

Done and executed this 24th day of October, 1991, by a majority of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board.

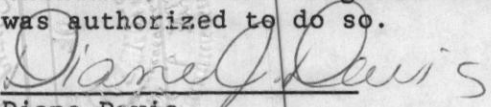

CHAIRMAN

Done and performed this 24th day of October, 1991.


Principal Executive to the Staff
Virginia Gas and Oil Board

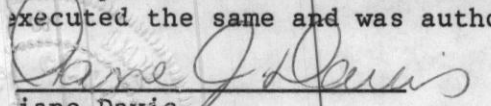
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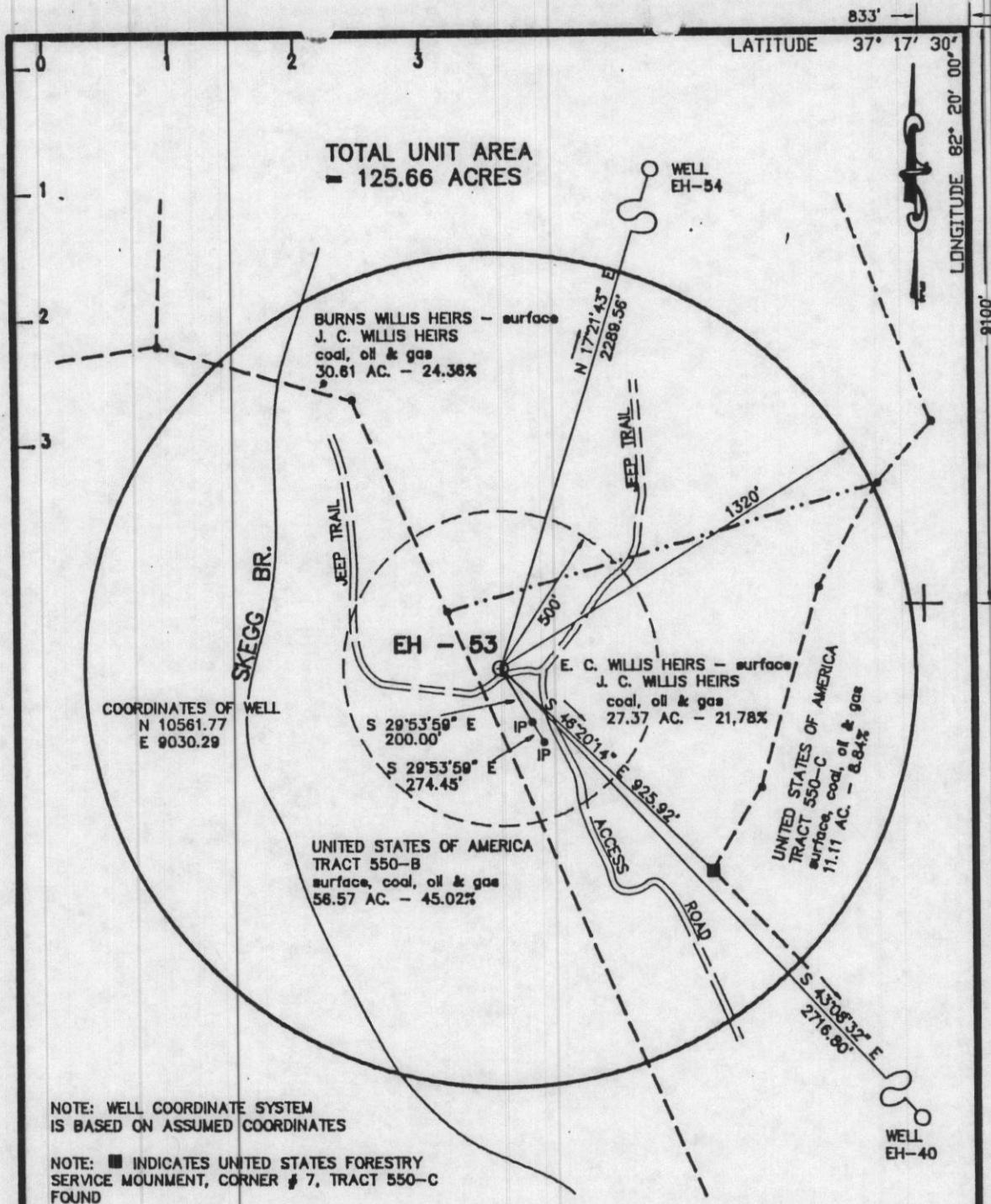
Acknowledged on this 24th day of October, 1991,
personally before me a notary public in and for the State of Virginia
appeared Benny Wampler, being duly sworn did depose and say that he is
Chairman of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board, that he executed the same and
was authorized to do so.


Diane Davis
Notary Public
My commission expires 9/23/92

State of Virginia
County of Washington

Acknowledged on this 24th day of October, 1991,
personally before me a notary public in and for the State of Virginia
appeared Byron Thomas Fulmer, being duly sworn did depose and say that he is
Principal Executive to the Staff of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board, that he
executed the same and was authorized to do so.


Diane Davis
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COMPANY Edwards & Harding Petroleum Company

ADDRESS P.O. Box 2404 Abingdon, Virginia 24210

WELL NAME EH - 53

FARM E. C. WILLIS HEIRS TRACT

LEASE NO. ELEVATION 1830.15 (Trip)

ACRES 374 AC. QUADRANGLE ELKHORN CITY

COUNTY DICKENSON DISTRICT WILLIS

REG. ENGINEER X REG. NO. 8106

CERT. LAND SURVEYOR X CERT. NO. 1340

FILE NO. DRAWING NO.

DATE AUGUST 20, 1991 SCALE 1" = 400'

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this plot is X is not based on a mine coordinate
system established for the areas of the well location

WELL LOCATION MAP WELL NO. EH - 53

Denotes location of well on United States
Topographic Maps, scale 1 to 24,000, lat-
itude and longitude lines being represented
by border lines as shown

CERTIFICATION OF WELL PLAT
I, the undersigned, hereby certify that this
plat is correct to the best of my knowledge
and belief, and shows all the information
required by law and regulations of the
Va. Well Review Board.

LAND SURVEYOR
B. J. [Signature] 8/20/91
Registered Engineer or Certified
Land Surveyor in Charge